Service Date: May 26, 1993

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICE REGULATION BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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IN THE MATTER of the Application)	
of GREAT FALLS GAS COMPANY)	UTILITY DIVISION
for Authority to Decrease Rates)	DOCKET NO. 92.8.38
Pursuant to its Gas Tracking)	FINAL ORDER NO. 5644a
Mechanism.)	

ORDER CLOSING DOCKET

- 1. On August 4, 1992, GFG (Applicant, GFG or Company) filed with the Montana Public Service Commission (Commission) an application to decrease rates for natural gas service by \$1,085,940 pursuant to the Gas Cost Tracking Mechanism (Gas Tracker) approved by the Commission in Docket No. 90.3.20, Order No. 5539c. Included in the filing were fixed transportation and storage costs. GFG modeled its tracking adjustment after the methodology used by MDU in its gas cost tracking adjustment procedure (Rate 88).
- 2. On August 31, 1992, the Commission issued Interim Order No. 5644 which approved an interim decrease in rates for GFG of \$1,266,560. Of that reduction, \$448,186 was applied to rates for Malmstrom Air Force Base. The balance of the reduction, \$818,374, was applied to all other customer classes excluding Montana Refining Company. Rates for Interim Order No. 5644 were effective for meters read on and after September 1, 1992.
- 3. On May 18, 1993, the Commission issued Final Order No. 5665b which closed Docket Nos. 92.8.37 and 92.10.57. Docket No. 92.10.57 was a general rate case for GFG. All matters in this Docket were resolved in the general rate case. Therefore, the Commission finds that there are no outstanding issues in Docket No. 92.8.38 and hereby closes the Docket.

4. IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Docket No. 92.8.38 is closed. Since there is no rate change associated with the closing of this Docket, no tariff filing is required by this Order.

DONE IN OPEN SESSION at Helena, Montana, this 24th day of May, 1993, by a 5 to 0 vote.

NOTE:

BY ORDER OF THE MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

	BOB ANDERSON, Chairman
	BOB ROWE, Vice Chairman
	DAVE FISHER, Commissioner
	NANCY McCAFFREE, Commissioner
	DANNY OBERG, Commissioner
ATTEST:	
Kathlene M. Anderson	
Commission Secretary	
(SEAL)	

Any interested party may request that the Commission reconsider this decision. A

motion to reconsider must be filed within ten (10) days. See 38.2.4806, ARM.